DW03_lfsr_scnto

LFSR Counter with Static Count-to Flag

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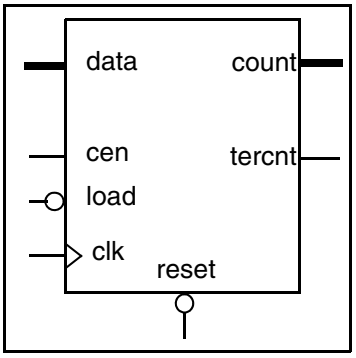
Features and Benefits

Revision History

- Parameterized count-to value to indicate when the counter reaches a specified value
- Parameterized word length
- High speed, area-efficient
- Asynchronous reset
- Terminal count flag



Description

DW03_lfsr_scnto is a parameterized word-length up counter with a static count-to flag. DW03_lfsr_scnto implements a counter as LFSR (linear feedback shift register) which also acts as a pseudo-random counter constructed as primitive characteristic polynomials.

Table 1-1 Pin Description

Pin Name	Width	Direction	Function
data	*width* bits	Input	Input data
load	1 bit	Input	Input load, active low
cen	1 bit	Input	Input count enable
clk	1 bit	Input	Clock
reset	1	Input	Asynchronous reset, active low
count	*width* bits	Output	Output count bus
tercnt	1 bit	Output	Output terminal count

Table 1-2 Parameter Description

Parameter	Values[a]	Function
width	2 to 50	Word length of counter
count_to	1 to $2^{width - 2}$	count_to bus

a. The upper bound of the legal range is a guideline to ensure reasonable compile times.

Table 1-3 Synthesis Implementations

Implementation Name	Function	License Feature Required
str	Synthesis model	DesignWare

Table 1-4 Simulation Models

Model	Function
DW03.DW03_LFSR_SCNTO_CFG_SIM	Design unit name for VHDL simulation
dw/dw03/src/DW03_lfsr_scnto_sim.vhd	VHDL simulation model source code
dw/sim_ver/DW03_lfsr_scnto.v	Verilog simulation model source code

Table 1-5 Counter Operation Truth Table

reset	load	cen	Operation
0	X	X	Reset
1	0	1	Load
1	X	0	Standby
1	1	1	Count

The shift register is fed back from two or more taps. The number of taps does not increase with a large counter *width*.

A LFSR counter runs faster than a binary counter in synchronous systems because the first bit is calculated and the remaining bits are shifted.

DW03_lfsr_scnto can be used in built-in test circuitry in VLSI chips and used as a modulus counter; see Figure 1-1 on page 3.

Counter Function

The `width` is a generic parameter with an integer value ranging from 1 to 50.

The counter is loaded with `data` by asserting `load` (low) and applying data to `data`. The data load operation is synchronous with respect to the positive edge of `clk`.

The `count_to` is an integer parameter of pseudo-random binary sequences that ranges from 1 to $2^{width - 2}$. For a list of the primitive polynomials, see the Logic–Sequential Overview.

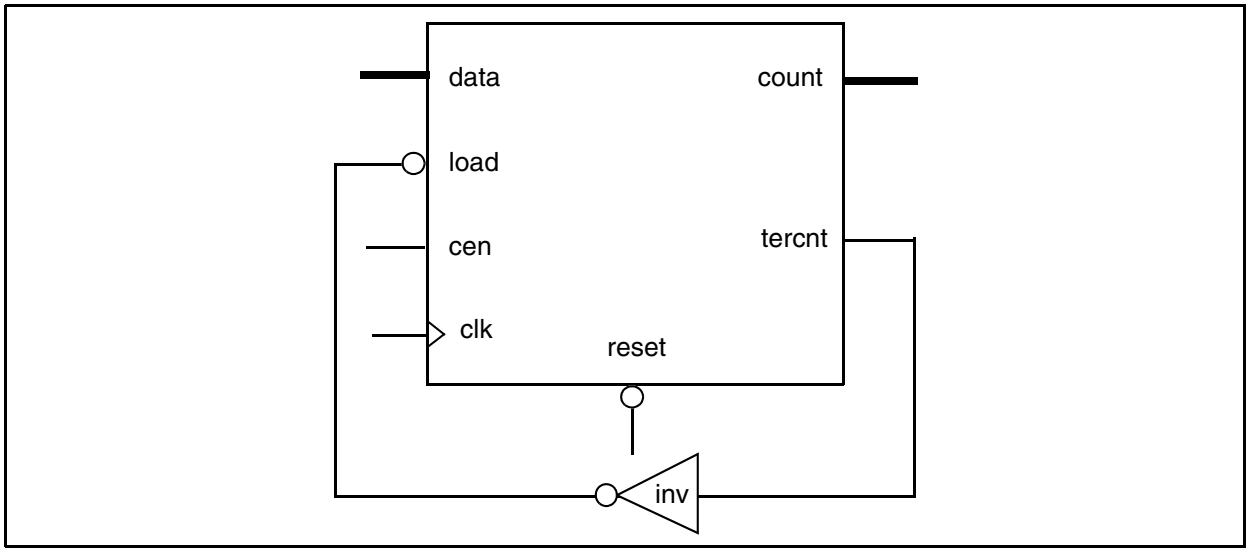
The count enable pin, `cen`, is active high. When `cen` is high, the counter is active. When `cen` is low, the counter is disabled and `count` remains at the same value.

The `reset` signal is an asynchronous reset that is active low. When `reset` is low, the counter output is "00...00". When `reset` is high, the counter operates normally.

The `count` is the output port of pseudo-random binary sequences, ranging from *width* - 1 to 0. A value of $2^{width - 2}$ (“11...11”) is an illegal state; therefore, the counter stops at “11...11”.

The `tercnt` is an output terminal count signal, active high. The `tercnt` output goes high for one clock cycle to indicate the different number of clock cycles between starting count to `count_to` value.

Figure 1-1 Counter Application: “count_to”



Timing Diagrams

Figure 1-2 and Figure 1-3 show various timing conditions for DW03_lfsr_scnto.

Figure 1-2 Functional Operation: load and count_enable Sequence

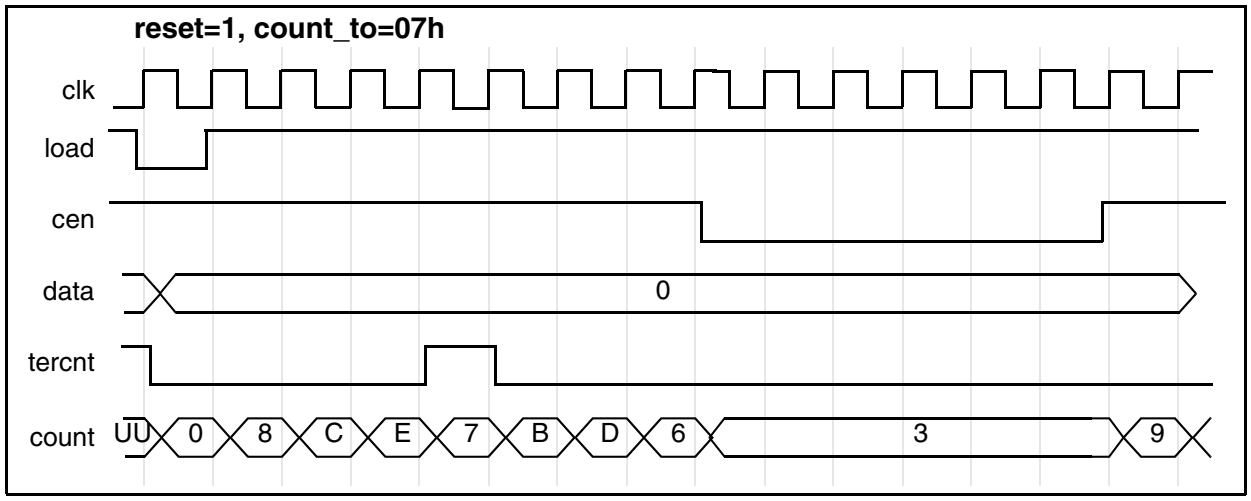
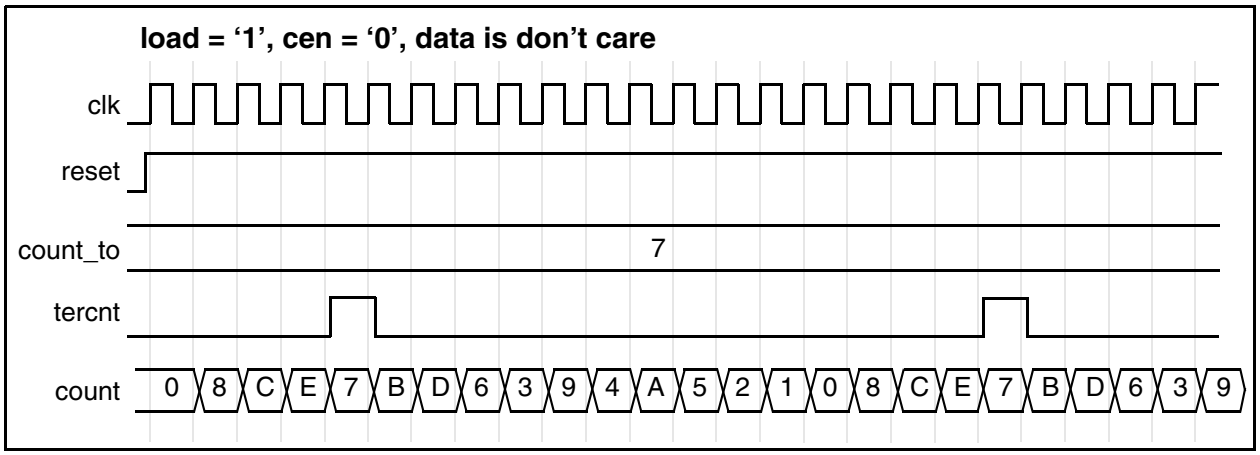


Figure 1-3 Reset Sequence



Related Topics

- Logic – Sequential Overview
- DesignWare Building Block IP User Guide

HDL Usage Through Component Instantiation - VHDL

```
library IEEE,DWARE;
use IEEE.std_logic_1164.all;
use DWARE.DWpackages.all;
use DWARE.DW_foundation_comp.all;

entity DW03_lfsr_scnto_inst is
  generic ( inst_width    : INTEGER := 8;
            inst_count_to : INTEGER := 8);
  port ( inst_data   : in std_logic_vector(inst_width-1 downto 0);
         inst_load   : in std_logic;
         inst_cen    : in std_logic;
         inst_clk    : in std_logic;
         inst_reset  : in std_logic;
         count_inst  : out std_logic_vector(inst_width-1 downto 0);
         tercnt_inst : out std_logic );
end DW03_lfsr_scnto_inst;

architecture inst of DW03_lfsr_scnto_inst is
begin

  -- Instance of DW03_lfsr_scnto
  U1 : DW03_lfsr_scnto
    generic map ( width => inst_width, count_to => inst_count_to )
    port map ( data => inst_data, load => inst_load,
               cen => inst_cen, clk => inst_clk, reset => inst_reset,
               count => count_inst, tercnt => tercnt_inst );
end inst;

-- pragma translate_off
configuration DW03_lfsr_scnto_inst_cfg_inst of DW03_lfsr_scnto_inst is
  for inst
  end for; -- inst
end DW03_lfsr_scnto_inst_cfg_inst;
-- pragma translate_on
```

HDL Usage Through Component Instantiation - Verilog

```
module DW03_lfsr_scnto_inst( inst_data, inst_load, inst_cen, inst_clk,
                             inst_reset, count_inst, tercnt_inst );

  parameter width = 8;
  parameter count_to = 8;

  input [width-1 : 0] inst_data;
  input inst_load;
  input inst_cen;
  input inst_clk;
  input inst_reset;
  output [width-1 : 0] count_inst;
  output tercnt_inst;

  // Instance of DW03_lfsr_scnto
  DW03_lfsr_scnto #(width, count_to)
    U1 ( .data(inst_data), .load(inst_load), .cen(inst_cen), .clk(inst_clk),
         .reset(inst_reset), .count(count_inst), .tercnt(tercnt_inst) );

endmodule
```

Revision History

For notes about this release, see the *DesignWare Building Block IP Release Notes*.

For lists of both known and fixed issues for this component, refer to the STAR report.

For a version of this datasheet with visible change bars, click here.

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January 2019	DWBB_201806.5	■ Updated example in "HDL Usage Through Component Instantiation - VHDL" on page 5 ■ Added this Revision History table and the document links on this page

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